

VILAS COUNTY FOREST- HUNTING BLIND POLICY

HUNTING BLINDS

Tree stands for hunting are permitted; however, stands must be commercially available, factory manufactured portable stands or elevated platform for hunting purposes and may only be erected during the period from start of deer archery season through December 31st and for no more than eleven (11) consecutive days. Climbing devices to access the portable stand or elevated platform shall be of the ladder type or steps which are attached to the tree with binding straps or chains. Penetration of any part of the tree is strictly prohibited. Each licensed hunter shall be limited to one portable tree stand or platform. Portable tree stands and elevated platforms shall have the owner's name, address, and phone number permanently attached to the climbing device at four (4) feet above ground level. No screws, nails, spikes, or anything else that pierces the tree may be used. Ground blinds may be constructed out of natural materials only.

Hunting blinds located on the county forest that violate these policies will be referred to law enforcement for enforcement in violation of the County forest and land ordinance and may be removed by Vilas County Forestry, Parks and Recreation Staff.